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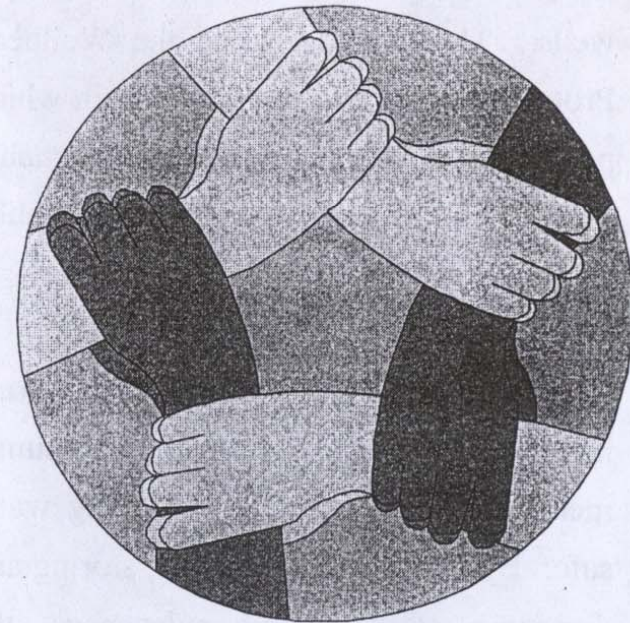
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Community Effort

Wellhead Protection Program



Village of Nashville

Wellhead Protection Program

A Wellhead Protection Program is a plan that details how the community will work to protect their public drinking water from contamination. Program participants protect public water supply wells by managing potential sources of contamination within a designated area around the community's wells. This area is called the Wellhead Protection Area and is the region in which potential contaminants are reasonably likely to move toward and reach public supply wells.

A successful Wellhead Protection Program includes assistance from all community members to help keep the drinking water safe. By effectively managing, storing and disposing of hazardous substances, the community can save on the high costs associated with groundwater cleanup or replacement of contaminated public wells.

How Does The Program Work?

Wellhead Protection Programs are usually initiated by the municipality that owns the well system, while working with local companies, government and agencies. Participation by the community to promote awareness on the importance of protecting the area's groundwater from contamination is vital to the success of the Wellhead Protection Program.

The Village of Nashville, with the assistance of a local Task Committee, are cooperatively evaluating options to help protect the Wellhead Protection Area. Options may include land-use management, site plan review or special requirements for the storage, handling and use of hazardous substances.

The following are examples of how a community can keep their drinking water safe.

- Properly close wells that are no longer being used.
- Don't dispose of chemicals or oils on the ground.
- If you have a spill, clean it up as soon as possible.
- Take extra precautions when storing chemicals in wellhead protection areas.
- Properly dispose of waste chemicals and used motor oil.

Please contact the Village of Nashville at 517-852-9544 if you have any questions or would like further information on Nashville's Wellhead Protection Plan.

Example of Groundwater Flow

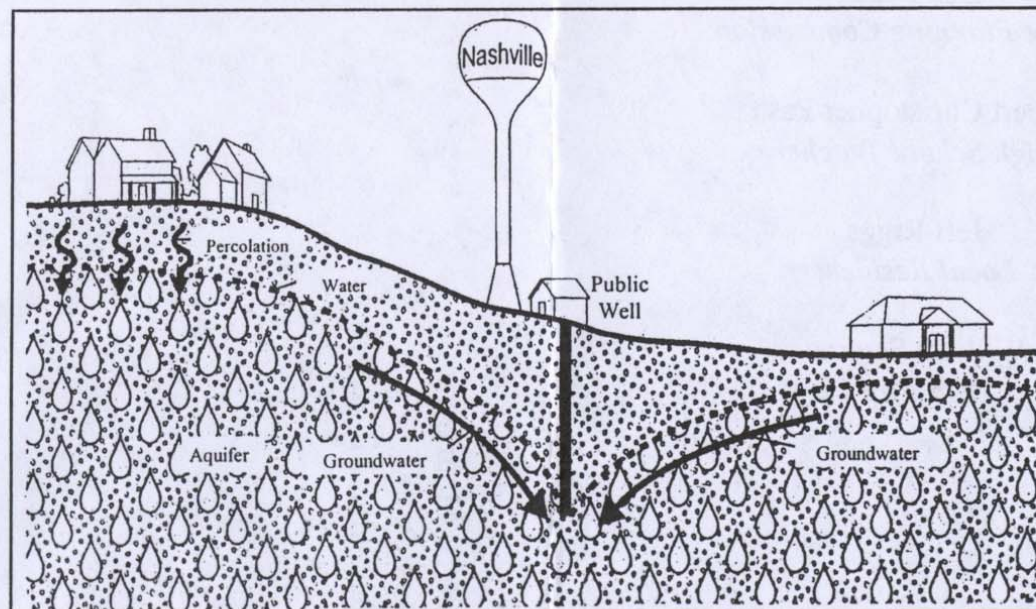


Diagram provided by the Huron River Watershed Council